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Federal Communications Commission
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RE: RM-10077, Modifications of Section 90.20© of the Commission's Rules to Permit use of Any Certified Public Safety Frequency Coordinator for Channels Below 470 MHz

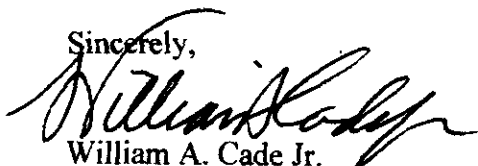
The Jasper County Emergency Services Board has the statutory duty to plan, implement and manage Enhanced 9-1-1 Services throughout the County. The Board began its efforts to build the radio infrastructure to allow county wide paging and dispatch of emergency services by seeking available radio channels below 470 MHz.

The Board found the need to use several Frequency Coordinators as well as seek coordination from adjoining states, creating further delays, confusion and expense to taxpayers. Our focus was supposed to be providing effective, prompt emergency communications and instead we expended resources dealing with a multilevel bureaucracy.

The Board was pleased with the recent action of the FCC to allow all the Coordinators to work on the 800 MHz spectrum; this model should be repeated for all the applicable frequencies below the 470 MHz as well.

At our meeting, this date, the Board endorsed my action on their behalf, to share our support of positive action toward allowing easier processing of applications seeking multiple frequencies, by authorizing any of the Coordinators to assist agencies such as ours deal with this difficult issue.

Sincerely,



William A. Cade Jr.
Executive Director

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